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In re Patent Application of)
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Application No.: Unassigned) Examiner: (Unassigned)
(Corresponds to PCT/FR00/01612))
International Filing Date: June 9, 2000)
For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION)
COMPRISING NO OR AT LEAST A)
NO DONOR COMPOUND OR)
ANOTHER COMPOUND CAPABLE)
OF RELEASING OR INDUCING NO)
FORMATION IN CELLS)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**BOX PCT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1-8 and add new claim 9 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for the treatment or prevention of a disease resulting from deficiency of an adult gene in an individual through the re-expression of said homologous foetal gene, said method comprising using an effective amount of NO, a NO donor compound or a compound able to release, promote or induce NO formation cells.

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